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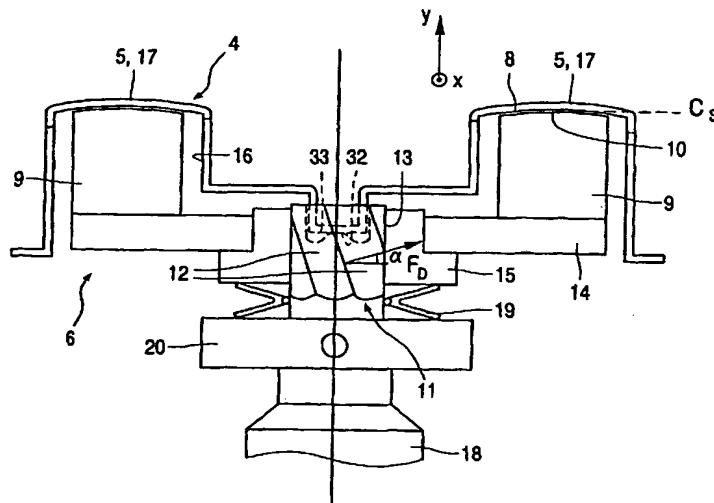
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(54) Title: SHAVING APPARATUS



(57) **Abstract:** Shaving apparatus with at least one cutting unit (3) having an outer cutter (4) and an inner cutter (6) which is rotationally drivable with respect to the outer cutter by means of an driving shaft (18) of a driving device, which driving shaft exerts a prestress force (FY) on the inner cutter in the direction of the outer cutter. During cutting of a hair, the hair exerts a cutting force (FR) on the inner cutter (6), which force has a direction that is opposite to the driving force (FD) for driving the inner cutter. Claimed is that the driving device comprises only one rotationally drivable coupling element (11) having at least one driving surface (12), that the driving shaft (18) bears axially (32,33) on the outer cutter (4) via said coupling element (11), and that the inner cutter (6) comprises at least one driven surface (13) cooperating with said driving surface (12) for exerting the driving force (FD), the direction of the driving force (FD) being substantially perpendicular to the driving surface (12) and the driven surface (13).